

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-61 (canceled)

62. (currently amended) A breathable, stretch-thinned elastic film, comprising:

a high performance styrene block copolymer elastomer;
a low performance metallocene catalyzed polyolefin elastomer;
the high and low performance elastomers being present in a weight ratio of about 50-80 parts by weight high performance elastomer and about 20-50 parts by weight low performance elastomer, based on a combined weight of high and low performance elastomers; and

a plurality of filler particles;
the film having a water vapor transmission rate of at least about 1000 grams/m²/24 hours.

2 63. (currently amended) A breathable, stretch-thinned elastic film comprising:

a high performance styrene block copolymer elastomer;
a low performance ethylene copolymer elastomer having a density less than 0.90 grams/cm³;
the high and low performance elastomers being present in a weight ratio of about 50-80 parts by weight high performance elastomer and about 20-50 parts by weight low performance elastomer, based on a combined weight of high and low performance elastomers; and

a plurality of filler particles;
the film having a water vapor transmission rate of at least about 1000 grams/m²/24 hours.

3 64. (previously presented) The breathable, stretch-thinned film of Claim 62 or 63, wherein the styrene block copolymer elastomer comprises a tetrablock copolymer.

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1 65. (previously presented) The breathable, stretch-thinned film of Claim 62 or 63, wherein the styrene block copolymer elastomer comprises a diblock copolymer.

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1 66. (previously presented) The breathable, stretch-thinned film of Claim 62 or 63, wherein the low performance elastomer comprises an ethylene-alpha olefin copolymer in which the alpha-olefin is selected from the group consisting of 1-octene, 1-butene, 1-hexene and 4-methyl pentene.

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5 67. (previously presented) The breathable, stretch-thinned film of Claim 66, wherein the low performance elastomer has a density of about 0.86-0.89 grams/cm³.

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1 68. (previously presented) The breathable, stretch-thinned film of Claim 62 or 63, wherein the filler particles comprise inorganic filler particles.

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1 69. (previously presented) The breathable, stretch-thinned film of Claim 68, wherein the filler particles comprise calcium carbonate.

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Claims 70-71 (canceled)

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1 72. (previously presented) The breathable, stretch-thinned film of Claim 62 or 63, comprising greater than about 50% by weight of the filler particles.

10 73. (currently amended) The breathable, stretch-thinned film of Claim 62 or 63, comprising about 10-35% by weight of the low performance elastomer, about 5-30% of the high performance elastomer, and about 51-70% by weight of the filler particles.

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